

Extended GL

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1 Limit to Generative Lexicon

[3] has manually classified the 3030 examples containing the NP_1 -no NP_2 “ NP_1 -GEN NP_2 ” construction in Japanese in accordance with the semantic relations between the two noun phrases. The examples were sorted out of the core data of the *Yahoo! Chiebukuro* portion of [1] by using ChaKi.NET 1.2 .

Crucially, I argued that the Generative Lexicon Theory [5] needed to be expanded to include not only inherent properties but also referential descriptions, because 8% of the data involved the modification of the temporary elements, such as location, time, and manner of the referent of NP_2 (e.g., *Operaza-no Kaijin* “Phantom of the Opera”, that is, Phantom in the Opera) [4].

The survey indicated that 29% of all instances are examples that NP_1 selectively binds, or modifies the inherent property, that is, the qualia structure of the lexical meaning of the NP_2 (e.g., *Fuji-no rendora* “a soap opera by Fuji TV”, i.e., a soap opera created by Fuji TV) [5]. Regarding the 25% of all instances, NP_2 is a relational noun in a broader sense, and NP_1 represents their arguments. For example, in *mune-no mae* “in front of the chest,” *mae* is considered to be a two-place holder noun which takes *mune* as its argument.

Table 1: Figure 1: Distribution of Semantic Patterns of NP_1 -no NP_2 Construction

selective binding of qualia in NP_2	886	0.292409241
NP_2 is a relational noun	777	0.256435644
NP_2 is a deverbal noun	445	0.146864686
NP_1 is adjectival property	395	0.130363036
referential module modification of NP_2	244	0.080528053
NP_1 is a quantifiers	152	0.050165017
possession	45	0.014851485
demonstratives	32	0.010561056
NP_1 is a deverbal nouns	24	0.007590759
NP_1 is theme of deadjectival NP_2	23	0.007306226
adverb	6	0.001980198
selective binding of qualia in NP_1	1	0.000330033
total	3030	1

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Even though Pustejovsky’s four qualia express inherent properties of referents, I propose supplementing lexical semantics with information about the referents. Besides type, argument, event, and qualia structures in GL

[cf. 2, 79], the referential module (EXTENSION(EXT)) has subcategories of TIME, LOC, and MANNER roles. For example, *Operaza-no* “of The Opera” in *operaza-no kaijin* “the Phantom of the Opera” and *mayonaka-no* “midnight” in *mayonaka-no kaigan* “the midnight beach” modify extensional modules of the Phantom and the beach. In *baiku-no karera* “those on scooters,” scooter-riding is one of the temporary properties of the referents, so that it is a MANNER role modification.

(1) Original GL Template

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \alpha \\ \text{TYPESTR} = \left[\text{ARG1} = \text{THE TYPE OF } \alpha \right] \\ \text{ARGSTR} = \left[\text{D-ARG1} = \text{OTHER ARGUMENTS IN THE QUALIA} \right] \\ \text{EVENTSTR} = \left[\text{E1} = \text{EVENTS IN THE QUALIA} \right] \\ \text{QUALIA} = \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{FORMAL} = \text{ISA-RELATION} \\ \text{CONST} = \text{PARTS OF } \alpha \\ \text{TELIC} = \text{PURPOSE OF } \alpha \\ \text{AGENT} = \text{HOW } \alpha \text{ IS BROUGHT ABOUT} \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right]$$

[2, 79]

(2) Template for Extended GL

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \alpha \\ \text{TYPESTR} = \left[\text{ARG1} = \text{THE TYPE OF } \alpha \right] \\ \text{ARGSTR} = \left[\text{D-ARG1} = \text{OTHER ARGUMENTS IN THE QUALIA} \right] \\ \text{EVENTSTR} = \left[\text{E1} = \text{EVENTS IN THE QUALIA} \right] \\ \text{QUALIA} = \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{FORMAL} = \text{ISA-RELATION} \\ \text{CONST} = \text{PARTS OF } \alpha \\ \text{TELIC} = \text{PURPOSE OF } \alpha \\ \text{AGENT} = \text{HOW } \alpha \text{ IS BROUGHT ABOUT} \end{array} \right] \\ \text{EXT} = \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{LOC} = \text{IN} \left(\left[\begin{array}{l} e2 \\ x \\ l \end{array} \right] \right) \\ \text{TIME} = \text{AT} \left(\left[\begin{array}{l} e2 \\ x \\ t \end{array} \right] \right) \\ \text{MANNER} = \text{WITH} \left(\left[\begin{array}{l} e2 \\ x \\ y \end{array} \right] \right) \end{array} \right] \end{array} \right]$$

As a result, selective binding not only applies to qualia structure but also to a referential module, which enables the computation of the meaning of the NP_1 -no NP_2 construction. For example, *Operaza-no* “of the Opera” specifies the location of the Phantom as the Opera, *mayonaka-no* “midnight” modifies time and *baiku-no* “on scooters” fills the manner role.

- (3) a. $\llbracket The_Phantom_of_the_Opera \rrbracket = \lambda x[\text{phantom}(x) \ \& \ [\text{EXT} = \exists e[\text{be-phantom}(e) \ \& \ \text{theme}(e) = x \ \& \ \text{location}(e) = \text{The Opera}]]]$
- b. $\llbracket midnight_beach \rrbracket = \lambda x[\text{beach}(x) \ \& \ [\text{EXT} = \exists e[\text{be-beach}(e) \ \& \ \text{theme}(e) = x \ \& \ \text{time}(e) = \text{midnight}]]]$
- c. $\llbracket those_on_scooters \rrbracket^g = \lambda x[g(1) = x \ \& \ [\text{EXT} = \exists e[\text{born}(e) \ \& \ \text{manner}(e) = \text{with-scooter}]]]$

3 EGL Database

I have made a small database of fifty lexical items taken from [1] in the format of the Extended GL.

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